

house the Division of Biologics Standards, including its expanded testing and research program, are in progress.

Recommendation No. 2: Program of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis

All manufacturers have agreed not to distribute vaccine for commercial sale until the current vaccine needs of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis program for first and second grade school children have been met.

Inasmuch as several States and cities have postponed completion of vaccination of first and second grade children until schools reopen in the fall, the Foundation program will have to be rescheduled. The Foundation is currently in process of collecting detailed information on the present status and future plans of its vaccination program on a State-by-State basis. This information, when available, will provide a basis for determining when the voluntary control system will go into effect.

As of July 2, on the basis of incomplete reports, 6,293,602 children had received their first injections under the Foundation program, 509,308 of these had second injections. In addition, 18,392 of the children who participated in the 1954 field trials had received "booster" doses. Arrangements will be made by the Department for release of vaccine for distribution in normal channels under the allocation plan as soon as it is clear that the current needs of the Foundation can be met.

Recommendation No. 3: Priorities

The National Advisory Committee for Poliomyelitis Vaccine at its first meeting on May 2 had recommended that the first age group priority be for children 5 through 9, inclusive. Subsequently, the Committee met on June 22 and recommended that, when the available supply of vaccine warrants expansion of the designated age groups, adjustments be made by